

Dear Chairman Powell and FCC members --

I write to express my opposition to the additional consolidation of mass media ownership which would occur from the passage of 02-277 in its current form. I believe that every citizen of this country has the right to independent accurate news reporting that is disseminated without regard to corporate gain or loss. It is a grave danger to our country and our democracy to label certain opinions as "unpatriotic" or worse yet refuse to report them, as many of the media moguls are currently doing.

If our media becomes dominated by a particular viewpoint, our children won't know it. They won't be able to answer a question that has never been asked. Please preserve the integrity of each individuals right to a freedom of opinion by ensuring that Americans now and in the future have more than one opinion to choose from. Do not allow corporate lobbyists to silence the voices of dissent with their dollars. Do not allow the interests of a powerful minority to dictate the knowledge of the majority. Protect our freedom by protecting the diversity of our media.

Sincerely,  
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